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The Honorable Michael T. McCaul
Chairman
Committee on Homeland Security
H2-176 Ford House Office Building
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Dear Chairman McCaul:

We applaud you and your staff for working so hard to update and streamline the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to address today's cyber security challenges. In your efforts to update the important role of the Department of Homeland Security within the national policy framework for critical infrastructure protection, you and your staff have actively listened to multiple stakeholder concerns to ensure that the best aspects of existing private public partnerships, which are the hallmark of our nation's efforts to address cyber threats, remain as such.

Your bill joins other important items introduced by your colleagues in the 113th Congress. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your colleagues to forge a bi-partisan legislative framework for the practice of cybersecurity in the coming decade that encourages continued private sector investment in innovation and cyber education and provides legal clarity in the day-to-day operational world of identifying and addressing cyber threats in a globally interconnected network of networks.

Sincerely,

cc: The Hon. Pat Meehan, Chairman
Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure
Protection, and Security Technologies

The Hon. Bennie Thompson, Ranking Member
Committee on Homeland Security
The Hon. Yvette Clarke, Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure
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